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15 RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the last Office Action mailed this last July 8, 2005. A response was due this August 10, 2005. A notice of a non-compliant amendment was given and mailed on August 8, 2005. Our office did not receive this correspondence until November 28, 2005. A petition to reset the reply period is enclosed herewith. A check for \$275 for the additional claims. If any additional fee is due, please charge this to Deposit Account No. 08-3260.

In the last Office Action, the Examiner presented a Restriction Requirement where a first species was noted by the Examiner that was directed to an apparatus as recited in claims 1-15 and 20-27. The Examiner noted a second species drawn to a method as recited in claims 16-19.

Accordingly, an election to the first species is hereby made by the applicant with traverse whereby claims 1-15 and 20-27 in classification 29, subclass 33T is hereby made.

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The Examiner further noted a species I with regard to Figs. 3-5 and a species II with respect to Figs. 6-14. Given the above-noted election to prosecute claims 1-15 and 20-27, it is believed by the applicant that these claims cover the various embodiments shown in Figs. 3-14. But for purposes of election the Applicant hereby elects species I directed to Figs. 3-5 for the initial prosecution. Further provided is a Preliminary Amendment amending the current claims and adding additional claims 28- 34.

Please amend the above identified application as follows: